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TITLE 310 DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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DIGEST

Temporarily modifies 310 IAC 2.1-6-12 that governs the operation of watercraft on the Tippecanoe River in White County and Carroll County, including Lake Shafer and Lake Freeman. Zones where the operation of watercraft is restricted are established in two areas, both of which will be marked with uniform Indiana markers and buoys. (1) A ten mile per hour speed limit is established on the portion of Lake Shafer where dredging operations are scheduled to take place in the summer of 2001. The affected area extends from the Sandbar Restaurant to 7,200 feet south (downstream). (2) A no-boat zone is established within 1,000 feet of either side of the U.S. 421 bridge over the Tippecanoe River (Lake Freeman) during bridge construction. This restriction allows for the designation of buoys of an idle speed zone to allow watercraft to pass through the no-boat zone. The restriction also allows for access to piers and docks located within the no-boat zone. Effective July 1, 2001.

SECTION 1. A person must not operate a watercraft in excess of ten (10) miles an hour on Lake Shafer within the following locations in White County, Liberty Township:

- (1) The south half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of the southwest quarter ($\frac{1}{4}$) of Section 21.
- (2) Section 28.
- (3) The north half (½) of the northwest quarter (¼) of Section 33 at Williams Ditch.

SECTION 2. Subject to the exemptions provided in SECTION 3 of this document, a person must not operate a watercraft between one thousand (1,000) feet upstream and one thousand (1,000) feet downstream of the U.S. 421 bridge over the Tippecanoe River.

SECTION 3. A person may operate a watercraft, but not in excess of idle speed, only as follows:

- (1) Within a channel designated by buoys for which navigation is authorized by the department of natural resources, division of law enforcement. The channel described in this subsection may be modified as construction activities on the bridge proceed.
- (2) To enter or exit a pier or dock located along the Tippecanoe River within the zone where the operation of a watercraft is otherwise prohibited by SECTION 2 of this document. To qualify for this exemption, the pier or dock must have existed on July 1, 2001.

SECTION 4. The restrictions set forth in SECTION 1, SECTION 2, and SECTION 3 [SECTIONS 1 through 3] of this document are in addition to those set forth at 310 IAC 2.1-6-12.

SECTION 5. SECTION 1 of this document expires on December 1, 2001.

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